

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

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1. South Vietnam

a. [REDACTED]
the belief is growing in Saigon
that a major governmental develop-
ment is in the offing.

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b. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] General Khanh's
opponents are pressuring him to
step aside.

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e. None of this proves that
Khanh is losing control. He has
told Ambassador Taylor that other
generals, headed by Khiem, are
urging him to get rid of Minh.

f. Minh is chary of Khanh's
"march north" theme.

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g. Khanh has assured Taylor that he is not trying to maneuver the US into action against North Vietnam.

2. Laos

a. Operation Triangle was to begin last night.



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c. Another effort to retake Phou Kout hill is under way. Government troops with air support were moving toward the summit this morning.



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3. Cyprus

a. Makarios may risk a serious clash with the Turkish Cypriots this weekend.



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c. In a press interview yesterday, Makarios said his government will soon apply "certain political and military decisions" and will not shirk an armed confrontation.

d. We suspect that, at the least, the Archbishop is trying to put himself back in the center of the stage. He may also feel he is strengthening his hand before his scheduled visit with Papandreou in Athens on Sunday.

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4. Congo

a. Tshombé may be recruiting mercenaries to lead an offensive against the rebels if his current negotiations fail.

[REDACTED]

c. We have had an indication from the South Africans that Tshombé asked for their assistance--which they would probably give--about two weeks ago.

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d. The rebels still appear to be gaining ground in North Katanga, although [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the Congolese Army has regained Baudoinville.

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NOTES

- A. Algeria Algerian dissidents appear to be getting more aggressive. They were probably responsible for the explosion of an ammunition dump near Algiers last Wednesday and the sinking of an Egyptian freighter at Bone on Thursday.

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- C. Indonesia - North Vietnam The Indonesian consul general in Saigon has told us that Djakarta is thinking of raising its consulate general in Hanoi to embassy status without making a similar change in Saigon. The Indonesians feel South Vietnam will accept this without breaking relations. Indonesia recently made the same move in Pyongyang without a change in Seoul.

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D. Haiti The entire rebel group which entered
Haiti [redacted]

[redacted] returned to the Dominican Republic

[redacted]

Other small groups may still be operating in
southeastern Haiti.

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